



## DECLARATION UNDER C.F.R. §1.131

1. I, Linda M. Bilsing, along with Bruce Votipka and Sharon Kurz, employees of the Hewlett-Packard Company, are the inventors of the subject matter disclosed in U.S. Patent Application 09/903,331 (the "331 application").

2. I, along with the other inventors, conceived the subject matter of the '331 application at least as early as March 7, 2001. Before this date, we filled out an invention disclosure form of the Hewlett-Packard Company, which documented our invention. A redacted copy of that invention disclosure form is attached hereto as Exhibit A (redacted to remove the dates).

3. Upon information and belief, diligent efforts were maintained to protect the invention of the '331 application between the time of March 7, 2001 and July 11, 2001 (the filing date of the '331 application).

4. In this regard, Paul Qualey, Esquire of Thomas, Kayden, Horstemeyer & Risley corresponded with me, Linda Bilsing, and began preparation of a draft application for my review.

5. Upon information and belief, multiple draft applications were prepared, reviewed and revised. I, Linda Bilsing, approved the final draft of the application before it was sent to the Hewlett-Packard legal department for review.

6. Upon information and belief, the final draft of the application was sent to the Hewlett-Packard legal department for review.

7. Upon information and belief, after the Hewlett-Packard legal department approved the final draft of the application for filing, after which I again reviewed the application and signed the formal documents required for filing the application.

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8. Upon information and belief, the application was sent by Mr. Qualey to Hewlett-Packard Company for filing with the U.S.P.T.O. The patent application that is now identified as the '331 application was filed with the U.S.P.T.O. on July 11, 2001.

I hereby declare: (a) that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; (b) that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; (c) that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code; and (d) that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Linda Bilsing  
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Date: 22 June 2005

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